

THE MASTERCRAFT **...STAR PERFORMANCE ON** **SOLID ROCK**

CHARACTER OF THOSE WHO CREATE THE MASTERCRAFT.
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God used - **dawn, moon, sun and stars** - to begin describing the character He looks for. Initially, I thought “how can one person appear in these four different lights?”

But the Song of Solomon started me on journey:

“Who Is This That Appears Like The Dawn, Fair As The Moon, Bright As The Sun, Majestic As The Stars In Procession?” **(Song Of Solo. 6:10)**

WOW! it is truly possible for one person demonstrate all four lights.

You start as Dawn and end up as STAR as you “work out your salvation with fear and trembling.” (Philippians 2:12)

Matthew Henry Commentary further broke down SoS 6:10:

True believers alone can possess the beauty of holiness. And when their real character is known, it will be commended.

- At their first **conversion**, they look forth as the morning (**Dawn**), their light being small, but increasing.
- As to their **sanctification**, they are fair as the **Moon**, deriving all their light, grace, and holiness from Christ; (Leaning on the holiness and righteousness of Christ)
- As to **justification**, clear as the **Sun**, clothed with Christ, the **Sun** of righteousness, (they grow); and fighting the good fight of faith, Believing and pursuing what God told them
- Under the banners of Christ (like the **Stars** – moving majestically under the canopy of Christ, against all spiritual odds/enemies. (**Confident, not fearing** arrows) (Psalm 91: 5-6)

Romans 8:²⁸ and we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to his purpose.

²⁹ for those God foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the image of his son.

³⁰ and those He predestined, He also called; those He called, He also justified; those He justified, He also glorified.

The Mastercraft creators are:

- Foreknown (dawn) – You are identified
- Predestined (moon) – leaning and conforming to the image of Christ
- Called and Justified (Sun) – Pursue righteousness and to do your assignment well
- Glorified (stars) – blossom & Confidence in the Lord as God fights your battle and makes you defeat every odds.

Our role model today is Hezekiah

2 KINGS 18

⁵ Hezekiah Trusted In The LORD, The God Of Israel. There Was No One Like Him Among All The Kings Of Judah, Either Before Him Or After Him. ⁶ He Held Fast To The LORD And Did Not Stop Following Him; He Kept The Commands The LORD Had Given Moses. ⁷ And The LORD Was With Him; He Was Successful In Whatever He Undertook. He Rebelled Against The King Of Assyria And Did Not Serve Him. ⁸ From Watchtower To Fortified City, He Defeated The Philistines, As Far As Gaza And Its Territory.

He is an example of one who went from dawn to star.

1. HIS COMMITMENT TO GOD

- He embraced God
- He decided to hold fast to the Lord in holiness and righteousness
- He Determined to be Successful In Whatever He Undertook
- God glorified him

2. HIS CONFIDENCE IN THE LORD, AND HIS EARNET & FERVENT PRYAER

Daniel 11:32

“The People Who Know their God must be strong to do great exploit.”

“But The People Who Know Their God* Shall Be Strong And Do Great Things.”

Creating the Mastercraft is an exploit. And there will be many efforts to stop you but stay strong.

Hezekiah resisted all efforts to stop him”

2 Kings 18: ¹⁷ the king of Assyria sent his supreme commander, his chief officer and his field commander with a large army, to king Hezekiah at Jerusalem, saying:

- “On What Are You Basing This Confidence Of Yours?”
- “The LORD Himself Told Me To March Against This Country And Destroy It.”
- **To The People He Said** “Do Not Listen To Hezekiah, For He Is Misleading You When He Says, ‘The LORD Will Deliver Us.’ ³³ Has The God Of Any Nation Ever Delivered His Land From The Hand Of The

King Of Assyria? ³⁴ Where Are The Gods Of Hamath And Arpad? Where Are The Gods Of Sepharvaim, Hena And Ivvah? Have They Rescued Samaria From My Hand? ³⁵ Who Of All The Gods Of These Countries Has Been Able To Save His Land From Me?

➤ How Then Can The LORD Deliver Jerusalem From My Hand?”

HEZEKIAH’S RESPONSE

Hezekiah’s Prayer

2 Kings 19

¹⁴ Hezekiah Received The Letter From The Messengers And Read It. Then He Went Up To The Temple Of The LORD And Spread It Out Before The LORD. ¹⁵ And Hezekiah Prayed To The LORD: “LORD, The God Of Israel, Enthroned Between The Cherubim, You Alone Are God Over All The Kingdoms Of The Earth. You Have Made Heaven And Earth. ¹⁶ Give Ear, LORD, And Hear; Open Your Eyes, LORD, And See; Listen To The Words Sennacherib Has Sent To Ridicule The Living God.

¹⁷ “It Is True, LORD, That The Assyrian Kings Have Laid Waste These Nations And Their Lands. ¹⁸ They Have Thrown Their Gods Into The Fire And Destroyed Them, For They Were Not Gods But Only Wood

And Stone, Fashioned By Human Hands. ¹⁹ Now, LORD Our God, Deliver Us From His Hand, So That All The Kingdoms Of The Earth May Know That You Alone, LORD, Are God.”

2 King 20 - Hezekiah's confidence in the Lord was so much that even when he was to die, he prayed for life and God heard him:

“⁶ I Will Add Fifteen Years To Your Life. And I Will Deliver You And This City From The Hand Of The King Of Assyria. I Will Defend This City For My Sake And For The Sake Of My Servant David.””

Conclusion: People who create the Mastercraft have certain characteristics:

- Like every born again, they start their life like the dawn
- Unlike many born again, they grow steadily and consistently, working out their salvation with fear and trembling and thus moving themselves from **dawn-to-moon-to-sun-and-to-star**.
- They have confidence in their God and do not :
 - fear the terror of night,
 - nor the arrow that flies by day,
 - ⁶ nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness,
 - nor the plague that destroys at midday.

- They are prayerful, earnest and fervent in prayer
- They believe in what God can do
- Like Hezekiah, they confess their belief through praise to God in advance.

**Brethren, lets go and demonstrate the Mastercraft characteristics
God Bless You.**

Prayer Point (for Self):

God, I want to create **the Mastercarft**, within my domain, this year:

- I ask for grace to be steady, be righteous and be connected with the Holy Spirit.
- Help me to understand and demonstrate the the required characteristics.
- Help me to stay away from fear, anxiety and unbelieve.
- Help me to be fervent and earnest in prayer.